

Growing Beans – Troubleshooting

How do I prevent the plants falling over?

Please tie plants to a supporting cane or rod, stuck into their pot. If the pot itself is falling over, consider putting it in a larger, sturdier pot (but keeping the plant inside the black folding pot).

When will the plants start flowering?

On average, 7 weeks after planting. Don't worry if they are a little earlier/later, just remember to write it down on your results sheet!

How do I arrange the netting around the ‘Netted plant’ correctly?

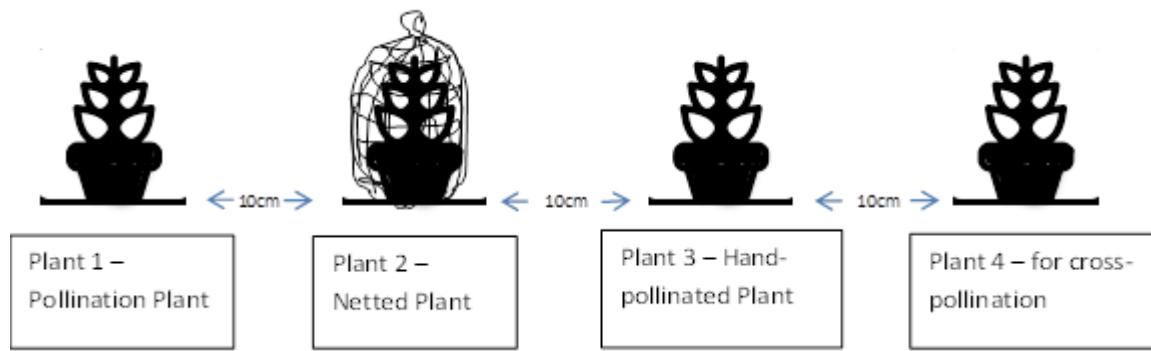
Please refer to the explanation and picture in your instruction booklet, or photos on the website. It is important to keep the netting away from the flowers when the plant starts flowering (you can use additional canes to push it away from the plant), and to tuck the net securely under the pot so sneaky pollinators can't get near the flowers.

When do I net the plant?

It is important to arrange the netting (as a tube) before the plant starts flowering, but make sure there is enough space for the plant to keep growing inside.

What are my growing plants supposed to look like?

Please refer to the instruction booklet for pictures of flowering plants. The growing plants should be arranged as below:



How can I tell the plants apart?

We strongly recommend that you write the name of each plant (i.e. Pollination plant, hand-pollination plant, etc.) on sticky labels attached to the pot. If you get your plants confused with each other, it will affect the experiment results.